

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

NAKAMURA, MASAOKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/019,250

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For: RUBBER-REINFORCING FIBER, PRODUCTION THEREOF, AND RUBBER ARTICLE AND PNEUMATIC TIRE REINFORCED BY RUBBER-REINFORCING FIBER

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C.  
§ 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is responsive to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office dated February 21, 2002.


Enclosed please find the Declaration and Power of Attorney, as well as our check in the amount of \$130.00 surcharge.

Applicants respectfully submit, however, that a new translation of the application into English is not appropriate. The current translation of the application into English has been criticized as defective assertedly on the basis that there is foreign text in the drawings. However, the undersigned has reviewed the drawings and cannot find any foreign text. Accordingly, withdrawal of this portion of the Notification is requested.

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Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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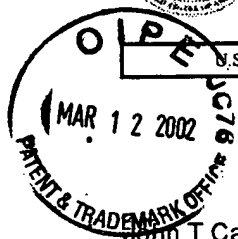
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. The current translation of the application into English is defective as described below.
  - There are foreign text in the drawings.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 months months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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